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Status						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 F	February 2006.					
•	s action is non-final.					
3) Since this application is in condition for allowa		esecution as to the merits is				
closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims						
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-3,5,6,8-21,23,24 and 27-36</u> is/are pending in the application.						
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.						
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-3,5,6,8-21,23,24 and 27-36</u> is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.						
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9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.						
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acc	cepted or b) objected to by the I	Examiner.				
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11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.						
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3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage						
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DETAILED ACTION

Notice to Applicant

1. This communication is in response to the amendment filed 2/9/06. Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-21, 23-24, and 27-36 remain pending. Claims 1-3, 5-6, 10-21, 23-24, and 27-36 have been amended. Claims 4, 7, 22, 25, 26, and 37 are cancelled.

Specification

2. The amendment filed 2/9/06 is objected to under 35 U.S.C. 132(a) because it introduces new matter into the disclosure. 35 U.S.C. 132(a) states that no amendment shall introduce new matter into the disclosure of the invention. The added material which is not supported by the original disclosure is as follows: The newly added recitation of a *second* Internet address with said updated product information within claims 1, 16, 27, and 36 appears to constitute new matter.

In particular, Applicant does not point to, nor was the Examiner able to find any support for this newly added language within the specification as originally filed. As such, Applicant is respectfully requested to clarify the above issues and to specifically point out support for the newly added limitations in the originally filed specification and claims.

Applicant is required to cancel the new matter in the reply to this Office Action.

Claim Objections

3. The objection to claim 25 is hereby withdrawn due to the amendment filed 2/9/06.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

- 5. Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-21, 23-24, and 27-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.
- (A) Independent claims 1, 16, 27, and 36 recite limitations that are new matter, as discussed above, and are therefore rejected. Claims 2-3, 5-6, 8-15, 17-21, 23-24, and 28-35 incorporate the deficiencies of the independent claims, through dependency, and are also rejected.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

6. The rejection of claims 1-3 and 5-35 under 35 U.S.C. 101 is hereby withdrawn due to the amendment filed 2/9/06.

7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

NOTE: The following rejections assume that the subject matter added in the 2/9/06 amendment are NOT new matter, and are provided hereinbelow for Applicant's consideration, on the condition that Applicant properly traverses the new matter objections and rejections made in sections 2 and 5 above in the next communication sent in response to the present Office Action.

8. Claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-21, 23-24, and 27-36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.
103(a) as being unpatentable over Call (5,913,210) in view of De La Huerga (US 2001/0028308 A1), and further in view of Abreu (US 2001/0056359 A1).
(A) Referring to claim 1, Call discloses a method for providing updated information regarding a product, comprising (col. 11, lines 2-10 of Call):

determining, by a supplier that can provide said product to an entity that can provide said product to a recipient, a first Internet address where product information regarding said product is available (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call; the Examiner interprets "manufacturer" to be a form of "supplier");

conveying, by said supplier, said product information to a provider database of said entity, wherein said product information is received by said entity from said first Internet address without additional routing performed by said

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supplier (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call; the Examiner interprets "reseller" to be a form of "entity");

receiving, by said provider database, recipient information regarding said recipient of said product from said recipient (col. 1, lines 57-65 of Call);

updating, by said entity, said product information based, at least in part, on said recipient information (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call); and

associating, by said entity, a second Internet address with said updated product information, wherein said updated product information can be accessed at said second Internet address by said recipient without additional routing performed by said recipient (col. 1, lines 52-65 and col. 10, lines 57-63 of Call).

Call does not disclose:

generating, by said entity, a packaging associated with said product; copying, by said entity, the second Internet address onto said packaging; providing; by said entity, said product with said associated packaging having said copied second Internet address to said recipient; and

partitioning said updated product information at said second Internet address in accordance with information provided by said recipient.

De La Huerga discloses generating a packaging associated with a product, copying a telephone address onto said packaging, and providing said product with said associated packaging having said copied address to said recipient (Fig. 29, Fig. 51, para. 403, and para. 405 of De La Huerga).

While De La Huerga does disclose an Internet address (Fig. 51 of De La Huerga), De La Huerga does not expressly disclose that the Internet address is

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on said packaging. However, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify De La Huerga's telephone address for the motivation of providing an easily accessible world wide web address.

Abreu discloses partitioning said updated product information at an Internet address in accordance with information provided by said recipient (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the features of De La Huerga and Abreu within Call. The motivation for doing so would have been to identify a location for reordering medication (para. 405 of De La Huerga) and to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

- (B) Referring to claim 2, Call discloses wherein said determining said first Internet address by said supplier where information regarding said product is available includes determining, by said supplier, a World Wide Web site at which the information can be found (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (C) Referring to claim 3, Call discloses providing, by said supplier, data indicative of said first Internet address to said entity, and further including allowing by said supplier said entity to retrieve said data (col. 1, lines 60-65 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(D) Referring to claim 5, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said updated product information that is updated by said entity regarding said product is based, at least in part, on said information regarding said recipient and includes receiving information by said entity regarding use of said product from said recipient and updating said information regarding said product accordingly.

Abreu discloses wherein said updated product information that is updated by said entity regarding said product is based, at least in part, on said information regarding said recipient and includes receiving information by said entity regarding use of said product from said recipient and updating said information regarding said product accordingly (para. 223 and para. 256 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the features of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to allow information in regards to the user to be continuously updated (para. 223 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

- (E) Referring to claim 6, Call discloses wherein each of a plurality of recipients of said product can each receive a corresponding unique second Internet address of said entity where updated product information regarding said product correlating to each of the plurality of recipients of said product is available (col. 2, lines 33-48 of Call).
- (F) Referring to claim 8, Call does not disclose wherein said product is available via prescription.

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De La Huerga discloses wherein said product is available via prescription (para. 3 of De La Huerga).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Call to include prescriptions for the motivation of the system being applicable to a variety of products.

- (G) Referring to claim 9, Call discloses wherein said product is a drug (col. 9, lines 43-49 of Call).
- (H) Referring to claim 10, Call discloses wherein said first Internet address is associated with a Web page (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (I) Referring to claim 11, Call discloses wherein said first Internet address includes an URL (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call).
- (J) Referring to claim 12, Call discloses wherein said updated product information includes information regarding use of said product (col. 9, lines 43-56 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (K) Referring to claim 13, Call discloses wherein said product is a drug and said updated product information includes information regarding use of said product by said recipient (col. 9, lines 43-56 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (L) Referring to claim 14, Call discloses receiving information at said entity from a party regarding said product (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call). Insofar as the claim

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recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

- (M) Referring to claim 15, Call discloses establishing said first Internet address by said supplier (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call).
- (N) Referring to claim 16, Call discloses a method for providing updated information regarding a product, comprising (col. 11, lines 2-10 of Call):

determining, by a supplier that can provide said product to an entity that can provide said product to a recipient, a first Internet address where product information regarding said product is available (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call; the Examiner interprets "manufacturer" to be a form of "supplier");

conveying, by said supplier, said product information to a provider database of said entity, wherein said product information is received by said entity from said first Internet address without additional routing performed by said supplier (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call; the Examiner interprets "reseller" to be a form of "entity");

receiving, by said provider database, recipient information regarding said recipient of said product from said recipient (col. 1, lines 57-65 of Call);

updating, by said entity, said product information based, at least in part, on said recipient information (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call); and

associating, by said entity, a second Internet address with said updated product information, wherein said updated product information can be accessed at said second Internet address by said recipient without additional routing performed by said recipient (col. 1, lines 52-65 and col. 10, lines 57-63 of Call).

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Call does not disclose that the product is available via a prescription and receiving a prescription at said entity to provide said product to said recipient.

Call also does not disclose creating packaging for said product that includes said second Internet address;

providing, by said entity, said product with said packaging having said copied second address, to said recipient; and

partitioning said updated product information at said second Internet address in accordance with information provided by said recipient.

De La Huerga discloses that the product is available via a prescription and receiving a prescription at said entity to provide said product to said recipient (para. 3 and para. 403 of De La Huerga), creating packaging for said product that includes a telephone address, and providing said product with said packaging having said copied address, to said recipient (Fig. 29, Fig. 51, para. 403, and para. 405 of De La Huerga).

While De La Huerga does disclose an Internet address (Fig. 51 of De La Huerga), De La Huerga does not expressly disclose that the Internet address is on said packaging. However, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify De La Huerga's telephone address for the motivation of providing an easily accessible world wide web address.

Abreu discloses partitioning said updated product information at an Internet address in accordance with information provided by said recipient (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu).

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At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the features of De La Huerga and Abreu within Call. The motivation for doing so would have been to identify a location for reordering medication (para. 405 of De La Huerga) and to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

(O) Referring to claim 17, Call discloses wherein said determining said first Internet address wherein said product information regarding said product can be found at said first Internet address without additional routing by said supplier, further includes associating a URL with said first Internet address by said supplier (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call).

Call does not disclose that the product is available via a prescription.

De La Huerga discloses wherein said product is available via prescription (para. 3 of De La Huerga).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Call to include prescriptions for the motivation of the system being applicable to a variety of products.

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(P) Referring to claim 18, Call discloses wherein said receiving a prescription to provide said product to said recipient includes receiving, at said entity, data indicative of said pharmaceutical (col. 9, lines 36-50 of Call).

Call does not disclose the pharmaceutical being a prescription.

De La Huerga discloses a prescription (para. 3 of De La Huerga).

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At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Call to include prescriptions for the motivation of the system being applicable to a variety of products.

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(Q) Referring to claim 19, Call does not disclose providing said address on a container of said product.

De La Huerga discloses providing said address on a container of said product (see Fig. 29 of De La Huerga).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of De La Huerga within Call. The motivation for doing so would have been to identify a location for reordering medication (para. 405 of De La Huerga).

- (R) Referring to claim 20, Call discloses wherein said providing said product with said packaging by said entity includes selling, by said entity, said product in said packaging (col. 9, lines 57-67 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (S) Referring to claim 21, Call discloses establishing said location for said product information by said supplier (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call).
- (T) Referring to claim 23, Call discloses receiving information, by said entity, from a party regarding said product (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

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(U) Referring to claim 24, Call does not disclose wherein said product is available to said recipient by prescription.

De La Huerga discloses wherein said product is available to said recipient by prescription (para. 3 of De La Huerga).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to modify Call to include prescriptions for the motivation of the system being applicable to a variety of products.

(V) Referring to claim 27, Call discloses a method for providing information regarding a product, comprising (abstract of Call):

determining, by a supplier that can provide said product to an entity that can provide said product to a recipient, a first Internet address where product information regarding said product is available (col. 1, lines 25-31 of Call; the Examiner interprets "manufacturer" to be a form of "supplier");

conveying, by said supplier, said product information to a provider database of said entity, wherein said product information is received by said entity from said first Internet address without additional routing performed by said supplier (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call; the Examiner interprets "reseller" to be a form of "entity");

receiving, by said provider database, recipient information regarding said recipient of said product from said recipient (col. 1, lines 57-65 of Call);

updating, by said entity, said product information based, at least in part, on said recipient information (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call); and

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associating, by said entity, a second Internet address with said updated product information, wherein said updated product information can be accessed at said second Internet address by said recipient without additional routing performed by said recipient (col. 1, lines 52-65 and col. 10, lines 57-63 of Call).

Call does not disclose:

generating, by said entity, a packaging associated with said product; copying, by said entity, the second Internet address onto said packaging; providing; by said entity, said product with said associated packaging having said copied second Internet address to said recipient;

allowing, by said entity, said recipient to partition access to updated product information;

receiving a request by said recipient to provide access to a portion of said updated product information to another party; and

providing access, by said entity, to said portion of said updated product information by said party if such access is authorized by said recipient.

De La Huerga discloses generating a packaging associated with a product, copying a telephone address onto said packaging, and providing said product with said associated packaging having said copied address to said recipient (Fig. 29, Fig. 51, para. 403, and para. 405 of De La Huerga).

While De La Huerga does disclose an Internet address (Fig. 51 of De La Huerga), De La Huerga does not expressly disclose that the Internet address is on said packaging. However, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify De La Huerga's telephone

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address for the motivation of providing an easily accessible world wide web address.

Abreu discloses allowing, by said entity, said recipient to partition access to updated product information (para. 142 of Abreu);

receiving a request by said recipient to provide access to a portion of said updated product information to another party (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu); and

providing access, by said entity, to said portion of said updated product information by said party if such access is authorized by said recipient (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the features of De La Huerga and Abreu within Call. The motivation for doing so would have been to identify a location for reordering medication (para. 405 of De La Huerga) and to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

- (W) Referring to claim 28, Call discloses wherein said establishing said second Internet address for information regarding said recipient includes determining a link to a Web page by said entity that includes said recipient information (col. 1, lines 52-65 of Call). Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.
- (X) Referring to claim 29, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said allowing by said entity said recipient to partition access to said updated product

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information includes allowing, by said recipient, said another person to control access to all of said updated product information at said entity.

Abreu discloses wherein said allowing by said entity said recipient to partition access to said updated product information includes allowing, by said recipient, said another person to control access to all of said updated product information at said entity (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(Y) Referring to claim 30, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said allowing said recipient to partition access to said updated product information at said entity includes allowing, by said recipient, said another person to grant an ability to at least one further person to access said updated product information at said entity

Abreu discloses wherein said allowing said recipient to partition access to said updated product information at said entity includes allowing, by said recipient, said another person to grant an ability to at least one further person to access said updated product information at said entity (para. 302 and para. 303 of Abreu).

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At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(Z) Referring to claim 31, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said receiving said request to provide access to said portion of said updated product information to said party includes receiving, at said entity, said request from said party.

Abreu discloses wherein said receiving said request to provide access to said portion of said updated product information to said party includes receiving, at said entity, said request from said party (para. 302 and para. 132 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(AA) Referring to claim 32, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said providing access to said portion of said updated product information at said entity by said party if such access is authorized includes allowing said party to retrieve said portion of updated product information at said entity.

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Abreu discloses wherein said providing access to said portion of said updated product information at said entity by said party if such access is authorized includes allowing said party to retrieve said portion of updated product information at said entity (para. 302, para. 303, and para. 142 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(BB) Referring to claim 33, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose providing a notification, by said entity, to said recipient when access to any portion of said updated product information is granted to another party.

Abreu discloses providing a notification, by said entity, to said recipient when access to any portion of said updated product information is granted to another party (para. 290, para. 142, para. 302, and para. 303 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been for recipients to be informed of authorized users (para. 303 of Abreu).

(CC) Referring to claim 34, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose determining, by said entity, if said party is authorized to access said portion of said updated product information.

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Abreu discloses determining, by said entity, if said party is authorized to access said portion of said updated product information (para. 302 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

(DD) Referring to claim 35, Call and De La Huerga do not disclose wherein said request includes a password that allows access to said portion of information.

Abreu discloses wherein said request includes a password that allows access to said portion of information (para. 302 of Abreu).

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the feature of Abreu within Call and De La Huerga. The motivation for doing so would have been to provide information only to authorized users (para. 302 of Abreu).

Insofar as the claim recites "at least one of," it is immaterial whether or not the other elements are also disclosed.

(EE) Referring to claim 36, Call discloses a system for providing updated information regarding a product, comprising a memory, a communication port, and a processor connected to said memory and said communication port (col. 1, lines 2-10 and Fig. 1 of Call).

The remainder of system claim 36 repeats the same limitations of method claim 1 and is therefore rejected for the same reasons given for that claim.

Response to Arguments

9. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 16, 27, and 36 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

- 10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The cited but not applied prior art teaches a method of and system for finding consumer product related information on the internet (US 2002/0049607 A1).
- 11. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

12. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lena Najarian whose telephone number is 571-272-7072. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Thomas can be reached on 571-272-6776. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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